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MINIATURE CONFOCAL OPTICAL HEAD WITH INTEGRATED SCANNING AND CONFOCAL IMAGING SYSTEM USING SAME

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In compliance with Rules 1.97 and 1.98, and in fulfillment of the duty of disclosure under Rule 1.56, the following documents, copies of which are attached to this statement, are made of record on the enclosed sheet.

A concise explanation of the relevance of the following items is that we are advised by our client that these references were discovered during any searches they or their client had made, or that they were considered in the preparation of the application:

WO 00/16151	U.S. 5,907,425
U.S. 6,154,305	U.S. 5,742,419
U.S. 6,088,145	U.S. 6,172,789
U.S. 6,007,208	U.S. 6,057,952
U.S. 2002/0018276	

In addition, the remaining documents, copies of which are attached to this statement, are also made of record on the enclosed sheet.

A concise explanation of the relevance of these latter items is that these references were cited in the corresponding French and International applications Serial Nos. FR 0216279 and PCT/FR 03/03686. A copy of these two Search Reports in which they were cited are attached hereto.

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